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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT:

Senate Select Committee on Intelligence  
Request for DCI Overview

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1. On Monday, 23 January, in a conversation with Dan Childs, SSCI staff, he said that SSCI was preparing a letter requesting the DCI to brief the full committee before the start of the FY '79 budget authorization hearings. What SSCI wants is neither a worldwide intelligence wrap-up nor a state of intelligence as was done by Knoche last year. They consider the former to be just current intelligence and the latter to be just a catalog of current capabilities.

2. SSCI will ask the Director to (a) evaluate the performance of the Intelligence Community over the past year, citing major accomplishments; (b) provide a description of new intelligence needs which will impose new demands on the Congress; (c) discuss gaps or limitations on the Community ability to respond to the needs; and (d) draw out the implications of all of the above on the scope and thrust of intelligence over the next five years.

3. Childs expects that budget authorization hearings will begin about 20 February and that this overview should precede those hearings. He says the Committee may let the Director choose the date, provided it is before 20 February or they may suggest one, which could be as early as 8 or 9 February.

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